



BY THE  
**Lords Justices General,**  
 AND  
**General Governours**  
 OF  
**IRELAND.**

*Berkeley, Galway.*



For the better preserving good Order and Discipline in His Majesty's Army, within this Kingdom, We shall be hereby, to Publish the following Rules, Orders and Instructions, to be Observed by the respective Officers and Soldiers of the said Army.

*First.* That the General Officers do Review the Forces once every Year at least, or as often as they shall receive Directions from Us, or the chief Governour or Governours of this Kingdom for the time being, and they are to take particular care that the following Rules be duly obeyed and put in Execution.

*Secondly,* That all Chaplains do constantly reside with their respective Regiments, and Preach frequently to them, and do visit the Sick, Instruct the Soldiers in the principal Heads of the Protestant Religion, and admonish both Officers and Soldiers to forbear Swearing and Cursing, or committing any scandalous Offences, and do press to them the necessity and advantages of frequenting Divine Service; for which end the Officer Commanding in any Garrison or Quarter, is to order the Troops and Companies under his Command to meet together every Sunday morning, and to march in good order to Church. And all Officers are to see that the Act of Parliament against Cursing and Swearing, is duly executed throughout the Army, so that no Offender may escape the just punishment therein mentioned; and if any Chaplain shall desire a License of Absence, he is first to make his application to his Collonel, or other Officer Commanding the Regiment, to recommend him to Us for his obtaining the same, and must allow out of his pay a sufficient competency to another Minister for discharging his Duty in his Absence.

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*Thirdly*, That all the English Regiments in this Kingdom, do every year (as oft as there shall be occasion) send over some Officers into *England*, to raise Recruits there; that the said Recruits do consist only of English born Subjects that are Protestants, and descended of Protestant Parents; but if any English men qualified as aforesaid, can be raised in this Kingdom, they are (before they are Enlisted) to be brought before the Collonel or Officer Commanding the Regiment, to be examined and approved of by him, who is to keep a Book for Registering the Names of all such Recruits as shall be raised here, and brought from *England* for the service of the Regiment under his Command, and their Age, places of Birth, Stature, Trades, Colour of their Hair, and days of Entrance; and that all the Soldiers so Raised and Enlisted, shall be brought before such General Officer as shall (next after their entrance) be appointed to visit the Forces, which if he approve of, he is then to Confirm their entrance on the Rolls of the Troop or Company unto which they belong; but in Case he dislike any of the said new Men, then he is to raze their names out of the Rolls, and dismiss them from the Service, and the Collonel who allowed and entred them, shall at his own expence, refund to His Majesty the Money and Subsistence paid to such men from the time they were Enlisted: But if it shall appear, that the Officer who produced them is in the fault, by Imposing them on his Collonel by any wrong Recommendation, then such Officer shall be Suspended for a Month, and loose a Months pay.

*Fourthly*, That no private Soldier shall be Discharged, but by the Collonel or Officer Commanding the Regiment, and before the Discharge is granted, he is to signifie the Reasons for so doing unto Us, for our Consent, or by Order of any of the General Officers when on his Circuit Reviewing the Forces; and if it shall appear that any Officer do receive any Reward or Gratuity for Discharging, or procuring the Discharge of any Soldier, he shall Forfeit for the first time, the Summ of Twenty pounds Sterling, to be paid out of his Pay unto the person who gave the Gratuity to be Discharged, or to any other who shall Discover and Prove the Fact before Us, or any of the General Officers when on their Circuits; and if any Officer do Commit the said Offence a second time, he shall be Suspended during His Majesty's pleasure.

*Fifthly*, That no Licenses of Absence for any Officer or private Soldier, but such as are Granted by Us, or the chief Governour or Governours here for the time being, shall be allowed on the Musters; which said Licenses are to be Entred in the Muster-Master General's Office, and Registred in a Book to be hereafter kept for that purpose by the Major of each Regiment, or other Officer thereof appointed by the Collonel to keep the same; that all such Licenses shall be Granted on the Recommendation of the Collonel, or Commanding Officer to Us, and no otherwise. That no Officer do presume to stay from his Command after the expiration of his License, otherwise he shall forfeit and loose his Subsistence for the over-plus time; and every Officer Licensed as aforesaid, shall send a Certificate under the hand of his Collonel or Commanding Officer, to the Muster-Master General's Office, of the day he returned to his Garrison or Quarter, to prevent the stoppage of his Subsistence in the Treasury. That all Soldiers absent by License, shall receive their full Subsistence during the time of their absence, but if they presume to stay from their Duty, after the expiration of their Licenses, they shall also forfeit their pay for the over-plus time, and shall be punished according to the discretion of a Court Martial, and their pay so stopped shall be distributed amongst the private men of the Troop or Company unto which they belong; and if any Licenses be granted between Musters, they are to be from the Collonel or Officer Commanding the Regiment only, which said Licenses are also to be Registred in



a Book to be kept as aforesaid, and all Collonels are to take particular care that two or at least one Commissioned Officer be always present with each Troop or Company: And we do think fit, and hereby declare, that the Licenses for private men shall be given out gratis at the Secretary's Office, and that no Fees shall be taken for the Entry of them at the Muster-Master General's Office.

*Sixthly*, That all Arms not of the Gage of Musquet bore, and such as are Unserviceable, be delivered into His Majesty's Stores, and others of Musquet bore shall be given out to the several Regiments, to answer the number of those they delivered in.

*Seventhly*, That each Captain or Officer commanding a Company, do every four months, and no oftener, discount with and pay his Soldiers their odd Groats, and duly bring an Account thereof Signed under his Hand, and the particular discharges taken for the same from the Soldiers, unto the Collonel or Officer commanding the Regiment, who is to examine the said Account and Discharges, and if he shall find that any Officer neglects the due performance of this Rule, he is to punish him by Arrest or Suspension, and out of his Subsistence to pay the Soldiers what shall appear to remain due to them, and to send an Account thereof to the Court of General Officers for their further Determination; and if it shall appear by complaint of the Soldiers or otherwise, that the Collonel or Officer commanding has failed of his Duty herein, he is to answer the neglect thereof before the said Court of General Officers.

*Eighthly*, That every Captain or Officer commanding a Troop of Horse or Dragoons, do once every year bring and produce to his Collonel, a particular Account of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Stock-purse money, which by order is Deducted out of each Troop for the recruiting or mending of unserviceable Horses, which said yearly Account is to remain with the Collonel.

*Ninthly*, That a general Exercise be appointed for the use of the Army, and that some skillful Officers thereof be pitched on, and ordered to Regulate the same, who are to present it to the General Officers for their approbation: That all Regiments, Troops and Companies be Exercised twice every Week; and all Officers of the Regiment to be Exercised then in the Garrison or Quarter, are to be present at the Exercise, and no Subaltern Officer is hereafter to Exercise any Regiment, Troop or Company, when his Captain or Superior Officer is present, which the General Officers are to see duly observed and performed.

*Tenthly*, That each Collonel or Officer commanding a Regiment, do every three Months (*bona fide*) give unto Us an account of the strength of the Regiment under his command independent of the Musters; and for the better enabling him thereunto, each Captain is to bring him a true List of his effective men, with the Names of such as Dye or Desert, and the time when; and if it can be found out, that any Captain do make a false Return to the Collonel of his Troop or Company, he is thereupon to be immediately Suspended by his said Collonel or Officer commanding the Regiment, and an account thereof sent to the Court of General Officers, who are to proceed against him according to the nature of the Crime. And We likewise do think fit, that for the future no Pay or Subsistence shall be sent or paid to any Captain, but for the number of the Effective men in his Troop or Company only; and that the Money stoped on account of the defectives, shall by our order remain in the Treasury, and the same shall from time to time be issued out to the several Collonels (on their application to Us) for Recruiting the Regiments under their Commands: And for the Encouragement of all such Captains who diligently discharge their Duty in keeping their Troops or Companies compleat and in good condition, a competent allowance out of the said Money





to stopped in the Treasury as aforesaid, shall (on their Collonels representation of their Care) be punctually paid and bestowed them, and the General Officers (when on their Circuits) are desired to take particular notice of the strength and condition of each Troop and Company, that at their return they may be enabled to give Us an account thereof, and of the names of such Officers whom they shall find most deserving of His Majesty's Favour, that such may be particularly recommended for their advancement; and on the contrary no regard shall ever be had to such as are found negligent and keep bad Companies.

*Eleventhly*, That no Horseman or Dragoon be permitted to borrow Horse or Arms to appear with at Muster, or at any publick Review; and if any Officer or Soldier shall offend herein, such punishment shall be inflicted as the Court of General Officers shall think fit: And for prevention of such ill practices for the future, every Collonel of Horse and Dragoons is to cause the first Letter of his own Sir-Name, and the first Letter of each Captains Name and Sir-Name to be burnt on each Horse of the respective Troops under his Command; and further, that no Boy under Sixteen years of age be permitted to pass Muster as a Soldier, or march in the Ranks; nor that any Soldier be suffered to serve or attend an Officer as a Servant, except on extraordinary occasions by the Collonels order, and that particular care be taken by all Persons and Officers concerned, to discover and prevent false Musters, and all corrupt practices in the performance of that service.

*Twelfthly*, That for the future there shall be allowed two Years Off-recknings for the Cloathing of every Regiment; and that each Collonel shall out of the said Fund be obliged to buy and furnish the under-named particulars, *Viz.*

One large Coat and	}	Two Shirts.
Waist-coat.		Two Cravats.
Two Hats.		Two pair of Stockins.
Two pair of Breeches.		Two pair of Shoes.

For each private man and Non-Commissioned Officer of the Regiment under his command, every Four and twenty Months, and to bring Patterns thereof to Us or the chief Governour or Governours of this Kingdom for the time being, to be viewed and approved of. We do likewise think fit, and do accordingly order and direct, that the small Accoutrements of each Regiment, as Swords, Byonetts, Belts, Bandiliers, &c. shall be constantly furnished and repaired by the respective Collonels, out of the said Fund of Off-reckonings from time to time as there shall be occasion.

*Thirteenthly*, That each Captain or Officer commanding a Troop or Company, do pay his Soldiers their Weekly Subsistence, at two several times in distinct payments, and to see at the times of payment, that their Arms, Cloaths, and other Accoutrements are kept in good order, and to cause such things as (by any neglect or abuse) shall be wanting, to be supplied, and to repair and mend such things as shall be abused or spoyled; and that the Major to each Regiment shall every Month visit the same, for the ends and purposes aforesaid, and give an account of the condition thereof to the Collonel.

*Fourteenthly*, That if any Soldier shall sell, or through negligence lose, or out of mischief break any of his Arms or Accoutrements, he shall be confined, and allowed but half his Subsistence to live upon, untill the remainder shall amount to so much as will be sufficient to repair the damage.



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Fifteenthly, That all Officers who have their Commissions, do bring or send them to their Collonel or Officer commanding the Regiment, who is to take care to get them Entred in the chief Secretary's and Muster-Master General's Offices in this Kingdom, and afterwards to return the same to the respective Officers: And that all such Officers who have lost their Commissions, do get the Dates thereof certified by their respective Collonels, and Entred in the Offices aforesaid; that all the said Commissions and Certificates shall be Entred in the said Offices Gratis.

Laftly, In order to prevent for the future any Quarrels or Duels that too frequently happen between the Officers of the Army, We do (in pursuance of His Majesty's positive Commands and Instructions to Us) hereby Declare, that if any Officer or Officers shall give any real Affront to any other, or shall Send, Receive, or Deliver any Challenge, the same being made appear to Us, or the chief Governour or Governours here for the time being; such Officer or Officers so offending, shall be Broke and Cashired, and made for the future incapable to bear any Commission or Employment under His Majesty.

*Given at His Majesty's Castle of Dublin the Thirtieth day of September, 1700.*

*By Their Excellencies Command,*

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God save the King.

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